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NEWSLETTER OF THE PIKES PEAK GAY COMMUNITY CENTER

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FROM THE EDITOR

There are many items which make-up this month's edition of Gayspeak, so I'm not going to take up much space with this column. I do want to address one issue however.

With so many different people to contact for news contributions to the newsletter, it is impossible for me to contact each one every month. For the past 3 issues, I have routinely called every contact person for each group, etc. But it's just becoming too time consuming for me to continue doing so. Still, we want to see every group and organization represented here every month.

I'm asking that from now on, starting immediately, someone from every group contact me each month with news and events you want published. You can either mail it to me at the Gayspeak or bring it to the Board meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. I need the information for the following month's edition, no later than the Board meeting each month.

So starting with the September issue, you should have the information to me no later than August 15th. Having a formal policy established for getting items published will make each issue's production flow more smoothly.

Thanks very much for your cooperation. I look forward to hearing from you.

Your Editor,

Chris C.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Throughout the past year, it has been a great pleasure to have worked closely with Emporer and Emporess 13 of the Imperial Court of Southern Colorado -- Dan Entler and Barb Graniss. During their reign, Dan and Barb have definitely done their best to promote "unity in the community" by working extensively with many community groups, above and beyond the mandates of the Court Titles that they've held.

In addition to Dan and Barb, I've also enjoyed working with their Czar and Czarina -- David Eidson and Krystyn Phillips, who are involved with the community in many facets as well. Many thanks to Dan and Barb, and thank you and good luck to David and Krystyn, who are now candidating for Emporer and Emporess 14, and hope to carry on in the footsteps of the reigning monarchs. It is truly encouraging to experience the tireless efforts and dedication to the entire community,as exhibited by these very special people.

Also running for Emporer and Emporess 14 are Ralph Chapman and Lyda Rose. Elections will be held August 20th from noon to 5 PM in room 121 of the Dale Motel. Anyone with a valid Southern Colorado I.D. is eligible to vote in this election.

I strongly urge everyone to get to know the candidates and their positions on all concerns involving the community, and encourage you to exercise your right to vote.

Once again, good luck to all the candidates. Thank you!

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FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

August is upon us and thanks to people who have renewed their memberships, the Pikes Peak Gay Community Center is starting to rebuild. We still have a long way to go though. Your help is needed month after month.

The positive response from the renewals of memberships shows there are people who care about the Center. With the Center being the umbrella to many support groups, the Helpline and Gayspeak, we have more and more to offer the gay community,as the people in the community show their support.

Labor Day Weekend Marathon is less than a month away. This marathon is held at the Hide & Seek, and is a great way for the Community Center and the Helpline to raise money to help support us through the year. During our regular Community Center meeting in August, we will be discussing different ideas on what to do to participate in this year's marathon. If you have any ideas, please feel free to attend that meeting on August 15th at 7 PM.

Once again, thanks to everyone who has shown their support to the Center. **Let's pull together and watch the Center grow!!**

David Eidson,
Vice-President

PIKES PEAK M.C.C.

On July 22nd, Pikes Peak Metropolitan Community Church celebrated the 10th anniversary of its founding. A special observance of this occasion will be held on Sunday, August 13th, beginning with a special Anniversary Service at 5 PM and a reception immediately after. The guest speaker at that evening's service will be Rev. Stephen Pieters, Field Director of the U.F.M.C.C. AIDS Ministry. Members of the church, friends and visitors are welcome to attend both the service and the reception. **Come share in this special celebration of 10 years of unity.**

P.P.M.C.C. services are held in the All Souls Unitarian Church, 730 N. Tejon St., the Rev. Marion C. Harrison - Pastor.

S-CAP PRESENTS CONCERT

On Friday, August 11th, S-CAP will present Judy Fjell in concert at the Pikes Peak Community College Auditorium, beginning at 8 PM. Judy is one of our community's favorite songwriters. Her music is uplifting, thoughtful, powerful and hysterically funny. You should plan to attend this free concert on Friday evening which kicks off the **"Staying Well: A Health Symposium of Gay and Lesbian People,"** which will be held the following day.

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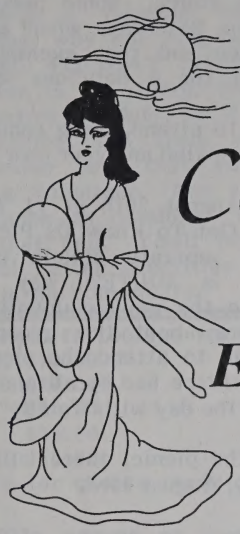

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IMPERIAL COURT OF SOUTHERN COLORADO

It's that time of year again when the Imperial Court holds its annual elections. Everyone in Southern Colorado over the age of 21 is eligible to vote. The campaign for the new monarchs was kicked-off July 23rd at the Hide & Seek. Here are the rest of the events so you can mark them down on your calendar: August 19th - Final Candidates Show; August 20th - Voting from 12 Noon - 5 PM in Room 121 at the Dale Motel. Later that evening at 9 PM, the In-Town Show will be held at the Hide & Seek; August 23rd - Stepping Down Show at the Exit; August 25th - Out of Town Show at the Hide & Seek; August 26th - Coronation '89 starting at 5:30 in the evening at the City Auditorium.

Tickets for this year's coronation are on sale now and can be purhcased from any member of the Court. This year's coronation theme is **"Coronations: Past, Present & Future."** A cash bar will be available the evening of the coronation. Advance tickets are $13; after August 20th and at the door that evening, they'll be $15. Be sure to get yours early!

Again, the 13th Reign of the Imperial Court thanks the community for the support it has shown in the past year.

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HEALTH SYMPOSIUM

"Staying Well: A Health Symposium for Gay and Lesbian People," will be held on Saturday, August 12th from 9 AM - 4:30 PM at All Souls Unitarian Church (P.P.M.C.C.).

Topics to be discussed include legal issues in relationships, long term survival with HIV, artificial insemination, good grief, stress and coping skills, living well in a straight world, and establishing trust and communication with your doctor. There will also be health screenings for cholesterol, hearing, sight and blood pressure available between 11 AM and 3 PM. All day exhibits and booths will be available on such issues as chiropractic, massage, fitness, HIV treatment, nutrition, women's health concerns, community programs, and quakery and fraud.

The keynote speaker at the symposium will be Rev. Stephen Pieters, who was diagnosed with AIDS in 1984 and is staying well today!

The registration fee is $5.00, which includes lunch and refreshments. Scholarships are available for Persons With AIDS by calling the S-Cap office at 578-9092 Tuesday or Thursday afternoons. They can also provide you with more information.

This program is presented by the Southern Colorado AIDS Project (S-Cap) through a grant from the Colorado Department of Health, with special assistance from All Souls Unitarian Church, 730 N. Tejon, Colorado Springs, CO.

SUPPORT SUPPORT SUPPORT

Here is your guide to the various support/social groups in the Pikes Peak region. If there's a group in existance that we don't know about, please contact Gayspeak so it too can be represented here.

40+ WOMEN

This support group for women will not officially get underway until after Labor Day. The first meeting will be held Wednesday, September 6th from 7-8:30 PM.

But the women in charge of the group want to stress that even though they're "on vacation" for the summer, they're available for anyone needing to talk to someone.

Call the Helpline for more information and a contact person.

UNITE

A camping trip will be held August 4th, 5th & 6th at Molly Gulch. Some people will just be coming up for Saturday, when a pot-luck lunch will be served and that evening everyone will be joining in for a delicious spaghetti dinner.

If you'd like to attend, bring some meat to cook, a snack of some kind and your own beverages.

On Sunday, August 20th at 11 AM, UNITE will be hosting a Get To Know Us Picnic at Cheyenne Canyon (see separate article in this edition). This picnic is UNITE's way of introducing themselves to the gay community. If you'd like to learn more about this group and meet its members, plan to attend the picnic on the 20th. A fun time will be had by all and it's a wonderful way to spend the day with "family" and friends.

Because of the picnic, there will be no meeting on Wednesday, August 23rd.

UNITE is open to anyone affiliated with the gay community, single or part of a couple, male or female. It meets every other Wednesday night at 7 PM. Call the Helpline for more information and a contact person.

S.O.S

A fishing trip at Rampart was held in July. Several people showed up for a time of fun and togetherness. We're told more fishermen showed up than fish were caught, but everyone enjoyed themselves fishing, canoeing and spending quality time together.

The August brunch will be held on Sunday, August 20th at 11 AM.

S.O.S. is a women's only group that meets every Thursday night at 7:30 PM. Contact the Helpline for more information and a contact person.

P.P.G.C.C. HELPLINE

The Helpline is still in deperate need of volunteers. All it takes is 6 - 8 hours of your time each month. As we've mentioned in the past, the Helpline's hours will have to be cut back unless more people decide to give of themselves.

The Helpline currently has operating hours of 6-9 PM, Monday through Friday, and 3-5 PM on Saturdays. The rest of the time, the Helpline is answered by an answering machine. It would be a terrible loss to have the Helpline operating less than what it already is, don't you agree?

The Helpline needs your help in order to give help to others. If you are able to give just a few hours of your time each month and would like to provide a valuable service to your community, then why not call the Helpline and volunteer. Call **471-4GAY (471-4429).** If Ann, the Coordinator is not there, leave a message with the Volunteer on duty, or if you reach the answering machine, tell them your name and telephone number and that you're interested in becoming a Volunteer. Ann will return your call just as soon as possible. The main thing is to make that call. You'll be glad you did, and you'll feel better everytime you're able to help someone in the community.

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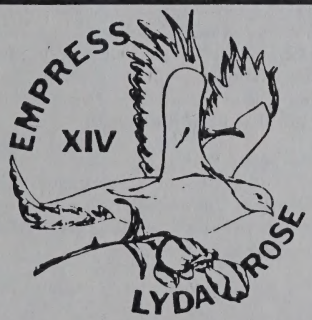

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THANK YOU

VOTING: Sunday, August 20, at the Dale motel, Room 121 from 12:00 noon till 5:00 p.m.

WOMEN'S CHORUS NAMED FINEST

From July 2nd - 9th, the Denver Women's Chorus attended the GALA III Festival in Seattle, Washington. At this year's celebration, 43 choruses participated, a total of 2500 voices, including the Denver Women's Chorus and the Denver Gay Men's Chorus. The men's chorus received a standing ovation for their performance and the women's chorus was honored by being given the premier position of closing the entire concert series, and was acknowledged as being the finest women's chorus in the United States!

Both choruses say they could not have done it without the help and support of various communities in the state of Colorado, nor could they have accomplished what they did without their 20 support members, 13 of whom made the journey to Seattle with the choruses.

Now both groups are busy preparing for GALA IV, which will be hosted by them in Denver in 1992.

By the way on Sunday, August 20th from 2-7 PM, there will be a reunion of the Denver Women's Chorus and the Denver Gay Men's Chorus at Divine Madness. There is a $5 donation which will be used to send members of both choruses to Vancouver for the Gay Games of 1990. The $5 includes a bar-b-que, entertainment, fun & games and you'll have a chance to meet members of both choruses. Tickets will be sold at the door that evening and everyone is invited!

COMMUNITY PICNIC

On Sunday, August 20th, UNITE is hosting a "Come and Get to Know Us Picnic." It will be held at Cheyenne Canyon, beginning at 11AM. Please bring your own picnic lunch and maybe just a little something to pass. Also, if you have any outdoor games you'd like to play, please feel free to bring those along. And if you have a lawn chair, it would be advisable to bring it as well. Those who have more than 1 lawnchair might want to bring a couple in case there's someone who doesn't have their own chair. Hope to see you at Cheyenne Canyon on the 20th!

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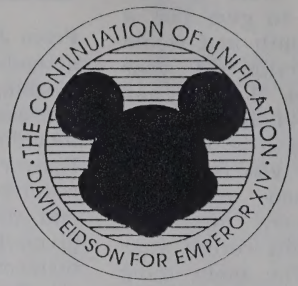

Candidate for Emperor XIV
DAVID EIDSON
The Continuation of Unification

On July 23rd, I had the privilege to announce my candidacy for the position of Emperor XIV of the Imperial Court of Southern Colorado. A lot of thought and consideration was taken before I decided to become a candidate for this position. To be Emperor requries an abundance of time, as well as strength and empathy. It also requires that the person also possess the financial and emotional capacity to give himself to the community when the need ever arises. I feel that I have now reached that point in my life that I can do this for the people of the community.

I have taken active roles in the community that have affected many different types of people. I am currently Grand Czar to the 13th Reign of The Imperial Court of Southern Colorado, vice-president of the Pikes Peak Gay Community Center, Helpline Volunteer, and assistant in advertising and publishing Gayspeak. My past and present business involvements include: owning and operating three businesses, The Pueblo Chamber of Commerce, the Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce, and the United States Chamber of Commerce advisory committee. I feel that all of this together shows that I am sincere in my beliefs and that I will do the best job that I can if elected.

Each of us, the candidates for these positions, have our own ideas for change within the organization of The Imperial Court of Southern Colorado. We all look at our ideas as our own. But all of the candidates including myself, want the changes and the growth necessary to make The Imperial Court of Southern Colorado better and stronger, not only for this year but for the years to come. And like any other candidate I cannot promise to accomplish anything, but only promise to give all my effort to reach the goals that myself and others have set before me:

★ To *continue* bringing organizations together as one in promoting their functions and making the community more aware of what they stand for.

★ To organize more functions that do not revolve around alcohol or any particular bar, and to allow more participation of the gay community that is under 21 years of age.

★ To bring the *Lesbian and Gay community together as one.*

On August 20th, please exercise your right to vote, and elect *DAVID EIDSON* for Emperor XIV.

The Dale Motel
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12:00 to 5:00 p.m.
Room 121

Sincerely,

David Eidson
Candidate for Emperor XIV